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FM AMEMBASSY LUSAKA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2559

INFO AMEMBASSY KINSHASA

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AMEMBASSY PRETORIA

AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN

AMEMBASSY NAIROBI

AMEMBASSY LISBON

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TAGS: EAIR, AO, US

SUBJECT: CIVAIR: PAN AM OVERFLIGHT OF ANGOLA

REF: LUSAKA 2514

1. AMBASSADOR UNABLE CONTACT FONMIN BANDA DEC 24 BUT LEFT LETTER OUTLINING PAN AM'S OVERFLIGHT PROBLEM AT BANDA'S RESIDENCE ON CHRISTMAS EVE. WHEN CHARGE CALLED BANDA MORNING DEC 29, BANDA SAID HE UNDERSTOOD PAN AM'S PREDICAMENT BUT THAT "THIS IS BAD TIME FOR ZAMBIA TO CONSIDER DOING SOMETHING" ON OVERFLIGHTS TO SOUTH AFRICA. HE ADDED "THERE ARE TOO MANY PEOPLE SNIPING AT US RIGHT NOW" AND EXPLAINED THAT WITH PRESIDENT KAUNDA SCHEDULED ATTEND OAU SUMMIT JAN 10, GRZ WANTS AVOID ANY UNNECESSARY COMPLICATIONS. BANDA ASKED PAN AM TO UNDERSTAND GRZ'S PROBLEM AND BE WILLING SHARE ZAMBIA'S BURDEN FOR TIME BEING, EVEN THOUGH IT MEANT CONTACT WITH CIVIL AIR AUTHORITIES IN LUANDA. CHARGE SAID PAN AM CURRENTLY WAS OVERFLYING ANGOLA AGAIN BUT THAT IT WOULD BE PREFERABLE OVERFLY ZAMBIA.

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2. COMMENT: BANDA IS OBVIOUSLY VERY SENSITIVE TO VARIOUS

REPORTS OF DEALS BETWEEN GRZ AND SAG, AND WISHES DO
NOTHING TO WEAKEN ZAMBIAN POSITION AT OAU SUMMIT
OR EMBARRASS KAUNDA THERE. ALTHOUGH BANDA INDICATED GRZ
MIGHT BE WILLING RECONSIDER PAN AM'S OVERFLIGHT REQUEST
AFTER OAU SUMMIT, IT SEEMS LIKELY GRZ WILL
NOT RPT NOT BE WILLING RESPOND POSITIVELY TO PAN AM'S OVER-
FLIGHT REQUEST FOR SOME TIME.
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